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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR § 1.56 and in keeping with the guidelines of 37 CFR § 1.98, Applicant hereby submits information thought to be relevant to the examination of the above-identified application. Also submitted herewith is a completed form PTO-1449.

This information came to light during the examination of a counterpart application in the European Patent Office in an Office Action dated March 22, 2001. Accordingly, the undersigned hereby certifies that the information submitted herewith is being submitted within three months from the date of that Office Action.

To the best of the undersigned's knowledge, no Office Action has yet been received in the above-identified application.

U.S. Patent No. 5,574,785 (Ueno et al.) apparently relates to an enciphered communication system having a plurality of cipher keys selectively used for enciphering data, wherein even when a cipher key number used at a transmitting side is not correctly transmitted to a receiving side, the receiving side can change the cipher key to a correct one.

European Patent No. 0 877 499 (Fujii et al.) apparently relates to a data receiving device for receiving broadcast data including digital data and outputting the received broadcast data to a computer, the device comprising a first interface to which the broadcast data is inputted, a packetizer for reconstructing the inputted broadcast data into a predetermined packet and a second interface for outputting the reconstructed packet to the computer.

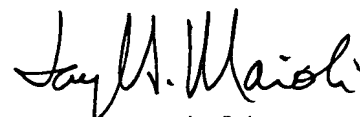
PCT International Publication No. 97/20413 (Hakulinen) apparently relates to a system for organizing fast data links using means designed for other data transmission methods. Data intended for a given receiver is transmitted from a given transmitter as packets consistent with a network protocol over a dat network to a transmitting station, which multiplexes the packets into a digital transport stream generated by it, marking those parts of the transport stream that relate to said packets with a part of the address of the receiver.

PCT International Publication No. 97/26730 (Dillon) apparently relates to a receiver connected to a satellite communication network comprising a satellite receiver card and a satellite receive device driver. The satellite receiver card receives a packet containing data from the satellite communication network. The satellite receive device driver, associated with the satellite receiver card, outputs the data in the packet in a format using a predetermined standard local area network interface format.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, if a fee is required for this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite fee to our Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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Respectfully submitted,
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